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CFR part 1607 and part 300 of this chapter. Each category must have a clear definition that distinguishes it from other categories;

- (c) Describe each quality category in the job announcement and apply the provisions of part 330, subparts B, F, and G of this chapter;
- (d) Place applicants into categories based upon their job-related competencies or their knowledge, skills, and abilities; and
- (e) Establish documentation and record keeping procedures for reconstruction purposes.

$\S\,337.304$ Veterans' preference.

In this subpart:

- (a) Veterans' preference must be applied as prescribed in 5 U.S.C. 3319(b) and (c)(2); and
- (b) Veterans' preference points as prescribed in section 337.101 of this part are not applied in category rating.

§ 337.305 Reporting requirements.

Any agency that uses category rating must forward to OPM a copy of the annual report that it must submit to Congress pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3319(d). Agencies must send their annual reports to the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate. The report must include the following information:

- (a) The number of employees hired under the system;
- (b) The impact that system has had on the hiring of veterans and minorities, including those who are American Indian or Alaska Natives, Asian, Black or African American, and native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islanders; and
- (c) The way managers were trained in the administration of category rating.

PART 338—QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS (GENERAL)

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AUTHORITY: 5 U.S.C. 3301, 3302, 3304; E.O. 10577, 3 CFR, 1954–1958 comp., p. 218.

Subpart A—Citizenship Requirements

§338.101 Citizenship.

- (a) A person may be admitted to competitive examination only if he is a citizen of or owes permanent allegiance to the United States.
- (b) A person may be given an appointment in the competitive service only if he or she is a citizen of or owes permanent allegiance to the United States. However, a noncitizen may be given an appointment in rare cases under §316.601 of this chapter, unless the appointment is prohibited by statute.
- (c) Paragraph (b) of this section applies to reinstatement and transfer as well as to other noncompetitive appointments, and to conversion to career or career-conditional employment.

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Subpart B [Reserved]

Subpart C—Consideration for Appointment

§ 338.301 Competitive service appointment.

Agencies must ensure that employees who are given competitive service appointments meet the requirements included in the Office of Personnel Management's Operating Manual: Qualification Standards for General Schedule Positions. The Operating Manual is available to the public for review at agency personnel offices and Federal depository libraries, and for purchase from the Government Printing Office.

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Subparts D-E [Reserved]